Application No. 10/820,047 New Attorney Docket No. 09065.0012 Previous Attorney Docket No. 02481.1843

Amendment - June 14, 2007

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-7. (Cancelled).

8. (Currently Amended) A drive mechanism for a drug <u>injection</u> delivery device,

comprising:

an epicyclic gearbox.

9. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A drive mechanism for a drug delivery device of

claim 8, further comprising:

an epicyclic gearbox;

a housing including a helical thread;

a piston rod including a non-circular cross-section and an external helical thread;

a dose dial sleeve configured to engage with the helical thread of the housing

and configured to rotate relative to the housing; and

a drive sleeve configured to be disposed between the housing and the piston rod,

the drive sleeve being configured to engage with the external helical thread of the piston

rod.

-2-

- 10. (Previously Presented) The drive mechanism of claim 9, wherein the dose dial sleeve is configured to be releasibly connected to the drive sleeve via the epicyclic gearbox.
- 11. (Currently Amended) An assembly for use in a drug <u>injection</u> delivery device, comprising a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox.
- 12. (Currently Amended) [[The]] An assembly for use in a drug delivery device of claim 11, further comprising:
 - a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox;
 - a housing including a helical thread;
 - a piston rod including a non-circular cross-section and an external helical thread;
- a dose dial sleeve configured to engage with the helical thread of the housing and configured to rotate relative to the housing; and
- a drive sleeve configured to be disposed between the housing and the piston rod, the drive sleeve being configured to engage with the external helical thread of the piston rod.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 12, wherein the dose dial sleeve is configured to be releasibly connected to the drive sleeve via the epicyclic gearbox.

- 14. (Currently Amended) A drug <u>injection</u> delivery device, comprising a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox.
- 15. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A drug delivery device of claim 14, further comprising:
 - a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox;
 - a housing including a helical thread;
 - a piston rod including a non-circular cross-section and an external helical thread;
- a dose dial sleeve configured to engage with the helical thread of the housing and configured to rotate relative to the housing; and

a drive sleeve configured to be disposed between the housing and the piston rod, the drive sleeve being configured to engage with the external helical thread of the piston rod.

- 16. (Previously Presented) The drug delivery device of claim 15, wherein the dose dial sleeve is configured to be releasibly connected to the drive sleeve via the epicyclic gearbox.
- 17. (Currently Amended) A method of assembling a drug <u>injection</u> delivery device, comprising:

providing a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox.

18. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A method of assembling a drug delivery device of claim 17, further comprising:

providing a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox;

providing a housing including a helical thread;

providing a piston rod including a non-circular cross-section and an external helical thread;

providing a dose dial sleeve configured to rotate relative to the housing; providing a drive sleeve;

engaging the dose dial sleeve with the helical thread of the housing; placing the drive sleeve between the housing and the piston rod; and engaging the drive sleeve with the external helical thread of the piston rod.

- 19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, further comprising: releasibly connecting the dose dial sleeve to the drive sleeve via the epicyclic gearbox.
- 20. (Currently Amended) A method of assembling a drug <u>injection</u> delivery device, comprising:

providing an assembly including a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox.

21. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A method of assembling a drug delivery device of claim 20, further comprising:

providing an assembly including a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox;

providing a housing including a helical thread;

providing a piston rod including a non-circular cross-section and an external helical thread;

providing a dose dial sleeve configured to rotate relative to the housing; providing a drive sleeve;

engaging the dose dial sleeve with the helical thread of the housing;
placing the drive sleeve between the housing and the piston rod; and
engaging the drive sleeve with the external helical thread of the piston rod.

- 22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising: releasibly connecting the dose dial sleeve to the drive sleeve via the epicyclic gearbox.
- 23. (Previously Presented) A method of dispensing a medicinal product, comprising:

providing a drug delivery device including a drive mechanism including an epicyclic gearbox;

dispensing the medicinal product via the drug delivery device;

wherein the medicinal product includes an active ingredient selected from the group consisting of insulin, growth hormone, low molecular weight heparin, analogues of insulin, analogues of growth hormones, analogues of low molecular weight heparin, derivatives of insulin, derivatives of growth hormones, and derivatives of low molecular weight heparin.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the drug delivery device further comprises:

a housing including a helical thread;

a piston rod including a non-circular cross-section and an external helical thread;

a dose dial sleeve configured to engage with the helical thread of the housing and configured to rotate relative to the housing; and

a drive sleeve configured to be disposed between the housing and the piston rod, the drive sleeve being configured to engage with the external helical thread of the piston rod.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the dose dial sleeve is configured to be releasibly connected to the drive sleeve via the epicyclic gearbox.

-7-